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CONSTRUCTION ELEMENT COMPRISING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, after the title, insert --This application is a continuation of international application number PCT/IT99/00156, filed June 2, 1999 and claims priority of Italian Patent Application No. PD98A000215, filed September 14, 1998, the content of both of which is incorporated herein by reference. --

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REMARKS

The examiner is respectfully requested to consider the above preliminary amendment prior to examination of the application. No new matter has been added.

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this amendment, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,
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